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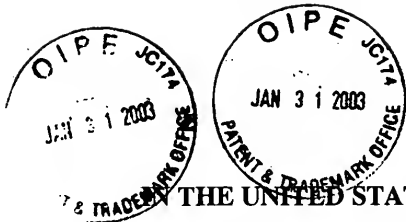
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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, applicants hereby submit a copy of a European Search Report dated January 13, 2003 from the corresponding European application in conformance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. The cited documents not listed on the attached PTO-1449 were previously cited and provided in the Information Disclosure Statement filed in this application on July 26, 2002. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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